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1. Shipments observed in Rathenow between 9 and 13 October 1950 included:

ShipmentFrom-To and Date

A train with trucks and guns;

Grosswudicke to Fuerstenwalde  
9 October

A train with trucks;

Grosswudicke to Fuerstenwalde  
10 October

A train with trucks and tanks;

Rathenow-Nord to Satzkorn  
10 October

A train with tanks;

Grosswudicke to Satzkorn  
14 October

A train with trucks and tanks;

Grosswudicke to Satzkorn  
15 OctoberGrosswudicke to Brandenburg  
15 October

A train with tanks;

Grosswudicke to Satzkorn  
15 October

A train with tanks;

Grosswudicke to Satzkorn  
16 October

A train with tanks and trucks;

Grosswudicke to an undeter-  
mined destination  
16 October

A train with tanks;

Grosswudicke to Satzkorn  
16 OctoberDocument NO/ASSIGNMENT  No Change in Class. ☐☐ Declassified

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A train with tanks;  
[redacted]Grosswudicke to Satzkorn  
17 October

A train with tanks;

Rathenow-Nord to Satzkorn  
18 October

(1)

2. Shipments observed in Frankfurt/Oder between 15 and 18 October 1950 included:

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<u>Shipment</u>	<u>From-To and Date</u>
Forty-nine boxcars and 9 gondola cars with troops and baggage	Gerdauen toward Cottbus 15 October
Fifty-four boxcars with soldiers; [redacted]	From the direction of Cottbus to Eberswalde 15 October
Five boxcars with ration supplies	Frankfurt/Oder to Satzkorn 16 October
One boxcar with military goods	Frankfurt/Oder border to Bernau 17 October
Fourteen boxcars and 15 gondola cars with troops and baggage; [redacted]	Kuestrin toward Cottbus 17 October
One boxcar with military goods	Brest Litovsk to Fuerstenwalde 17 October
Two boxcars with military goods	Brest Litovsk to Strausberg 17 October
Seventeen tanks [redacted]	Unloaded at Frankfurt/Oder-Ostbahnhof 17 October
Four boxcars with military goods	Brest Litovsk to Lamitsch 18 October
One boxcar with military goods	Brest Litovsk to Finow 18 October
One tank car with oil	Brest Litovsk to Volten 18 October
Sight boxcars and 5 flatcars with troops	Lieberose to Fuerstenwalde 18 October

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3. Daily Soviet leave traffic through Frankfurt/Oder averaged 310 soldiers going to Brest Litovsk and 410 soldiers coming from Brest Litovsk during the period from 10 to 18 October 1950. Only one pair of leave trains was running daily. (6)

4. Seventy-nine tank cars of fuel went from Brest Litovsk to Volten on 12 and 13 October 1950. [redacted]

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5. Forty-six boxcars, recently converted for the transportation of troops, went from Frankfurt/Oder to Kuestrin-Kietz on 14 October 1950. (7)

6. Four tank cars were en route from Brest Litovsk to Muellrose on 14 October 1950. [redacted]

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7. On 15 October 1950 six tank cars were en route from Brest Litovsk to Jessen for [redacted] 12 tank cars to Bornau for [redacted] and 6 boxcars with makhorka to Frankfurt/Oder [redacted] (8)

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8. On 19 and 20 October 1950 35 trucks with [redacted] 14 120-mm mortars and 250 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were loaded at the Neuruppin railroad station. Their destination could not be determined. (9)

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9. On 18 October 1950 tanks were loaded on a train over a speedily constructed ramp at the Vogelsang railroad station. A truck convoy coming from Hammelspring was parking in a meadow near the railroad

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10. On 17 and 18 October 1950 12 tanks and 5 trucks with [redacted] [redacted] were unloaded daily at the Frankfurt/Oder military ramp and went to the Horn Kaserne. (11)

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11. On 18 October 1950 a convoy of 17 trucks [redacted] arrived in Frankfurt/Oder. The trucks towed twelve 76.2-mm guns, carried equipment, a field kitchen and about 100 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. The convoy came from the direction of Muencheberg. (11)

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Comments.

- (1) Since the 12 troop trains were bound for Satz Korn, Fuerstenwalde and Brandenburg, they are believed to have carried components of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army which presumably returned to their home stations upon completion of maneuvers in the Rathenow area. It is believed that fall maneuvers of units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army were held in the area west of Berlin as far as Rathenow during the first week of October 1950, since trains carrying components of this army were observed en route from Lieberose and Fuerstenwalde to Gross Behnitz, Doeberitz and Satz Korn in early October 1950. [redacted]

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- (2) Trains in this composition were observed for the first time this fall. [redacted]

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connection with the shipments of recruits going from the U.S.S.R. to the Soviet Zone of Germany in the spring of 1950. It is not known whether, by the term "baggage", source actually meant the personal belongings and equipment of the soldiers in the boxcars or whether he meant materiel such as motor vehicles. Since the shipment [redacted] was conveyed on a [redacted] train it is believed that more shipments of this type will follow.

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